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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

The undersigned greatly appreciates the courtesies extended by Examiner Patel during the telephone call on March 1, 2004, indicating the claims are in conditions for allowance, and discussing the specification of the present application.

By means of the present amendment, the current Abstract has been amended as shown in the enclosed Replacement Abstract for better conformance to U.S. practice. Further, the specification has been amended to correct certain informalities and add a final paragraph similar to the specification of the parent application Serial Number 10/142,589. Further, the specification has been amended to add headings as suggested by the Examiner.

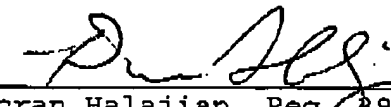
In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If any informalities remain, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned in order to expedite allowance.

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Enclosure: Replacement Abstract

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~~The invention proposes a~~ A protective casing (12) for an electronic appliance (10) is of the type which has a shell (18) in which there is produced an opening (20) closed off by a body (22) made from transparent material with a general flat shape, of the type in which at least one internal peripheral annular fixing area (30) of the transparent body (22) is fixed to a facing area (32) of the periphery of the opening (20) ~~by fixing and/or positioning means (34) with the interposing of a first decorative cladding (38) between the peripheral fixing area (30) of the transparent body (22), where and the fixing and/or position means (34),~~ characterized in that the peripheral fixing area (30) is inclined with respect to the overall plane of the transparent body (22).

~~The invention also proposes a method and tool for manufacturing such a casing.~~

~~Fig. 5d~~